

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[19] A method of using a keyboard for a handheld electronic device includes providing a thumb keyboard for a handheld electronic device having a left set of one or more rows of input keys and a right set of one or more rows of input keys separated by a centerline, the left set of one or more rows are opposite the right set of one or more rows, and lines drawn through the left-most input key and the right most input key of opposite rows intersect the centerline to form a generally upwards v shape; using only the left thumb to input information into the handheld electronic device using the left set of one or more rows of input keys; and using only the right thumb to input information 10 into the handheld electronic device using the right set of one or more rows of input keys.